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AF SEC. BUZZED BY DISC — WINDSHIELD POX TWO NEW SATELLITES PLAGUES U. S. CIRCLING EARTH

The latest perplexities which are harassing the Air Force are the mysterious pitted windshields. Originating in Oregon, this mysterious malady has not only spread across the nation, but has brought out some of the most idiotic attempts at explanation that we have heard about any phenomena to date.

A trip to Modesto, Calif., where Mr. George Higgins resides, brought out a few facts which had been hitherto unpublished in connection with the windshield enigma. They are as follows:

The windshield of Mr. Higgins' car was covered with varying sizes of chocolate-colored substance which appeared to have splattered against the glass. Under each of these spots was a pit. Areas which were cleaned when the spots were first noticed did not produce such large or deep pits. The windshield was not, in the case of any of the pits, penetrated, and the inner cushion of plastic which guards against shattering, appeared to have stopped the etching action, whereupon the action appeared to spread out from the center of the original defect. The brown spots, whatever they were, eventually disappeared, leaving the pit visible. A look at

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In the latter part of March, an Air Force plane carrying Secretary of the Air Force Talbot and the crew, was followed by a disc-shaped, glowing object. The large disc followed about 1,000 feet behind and 1,000 feet below the plane. When the plane was swung around to follow the disc, it disappeared in a burst of speed.

The above, which came to us in April, can now be stated as a fact after Donald Keyhoe stated it as such during a broadcast on Frank Edwards' program May 13th. He also stated that the earth is playing host to two artificial satellites. This information was carried in our last bulletin on the first page and enlarged upon in the inside page articles.

Keyhoe also states that scientists are urging the Air Force to alert skywatchers to look for UFOs.

We believe that with the present upsurge in UFO sightings plus increased uneasiness regarding the same among the armed forces and scientists, the truth may rear its ugly head before the summer of 1954 draws to a close.

The pieces of the puzzle seem to be falling into place, and we only hope that in doing so they do not cause lack of faith in our armed forces on the part of the American people. The lying, skulduggery and know-it-all attitude of the Air Force in particular has alienated it and will be a deterrent when they attempt to tell what they really know. Things in the saucer world are humming---what next?

LARGE CRATER IN UTAH Baffles EXPERTS. Dr. Lincoln La Paz, world renowned expert on meteorites, labels as 'fantastic' the crater left by an explosion near Logan, Utah on May 1st. Cars traveling nearby were nearly upset, the concussion knocked open doors miles away and sent a jarring shock over an 8-mile area. "It's a hole made by some kind of explosive," Dr. La Paz decided, but added that there was no characteristic odor of explosives around the crater, nor were there any traces of wiring. La Paz also said it was definitely not a meteorite crater, as no meteor fragments were turned up in sifting the crater. Witnesses to the explosion described a 'brilliant red hemisphere of flame' when the explosion was heard, but Dr. La Paz stated that meteorites never flash on impact. He also said the crater was only 16 feet in diameter which is fairly small to have created such a strong shock wave unless an object from space had smashed into the earth. The lack of meteorite fragments, however, rules out that possibility. We wonder if anyone has considered the possibility that something blasted off from the site of that 16-foot crater. That would account for everything.

The Editorial

There is no doubt in my mind despite the persistent denials of the Air Force to the contrary, that the flying saucer mystery is fast drawing to a conclusion. Increased public interest, the fulfillment of predictions regarding a saucer sighting boom this spring and summer plus the enlistment of noted personages in the press and communications fields in the effort to bring a little truth to the fore, all play a great part in the wind-up act.

We often wonder what will happen to the self-styled prophets who forecast this and that, make fantastic claims regarding contacts with humanoid space visitors from planets which could not possibly support human life, and rake in fabulous amounts of coinage in exchange for verbally recounting their weird tales from which they have already profited greatly in the form of sensational books.

The various articles (mentioned elsewhere in this bulletin) dealing with the saucer problem and authored by some real experts or people in the know, which have suddenly appeared in the pages of well-known and respected periodicals, leads us to believe that there is a new experiment under way. This new method involves the release of pertinent, sensational information by accepted authorities which will be believable to the general public and by which UFO authorities can gauge the probable reaction to the truth by the reaction of the public to the information contained in these oracles.

One point which we have steadfastly maintained regarding the silence regarding UFO activity and the wire service censorship of sightings, is that the physical nature of the pilots of the UFOs is known to UFO authorities and that they are afraid to release the truth because of doubt as to public reaction. This is the one point where it is difficult to argue with the Air Force, for they do have a fairly good reason for holding back. On the other hand, if these creatures prove to be hostile, there would be a great deal less panic and hysteria in the case of an attack if the people know what to expect. We have stated before and restate now, our conviction that what the creatures are and why they are here are the main reasons for the silence and censorship on the part of the Air Force, rather than their deductions that the craft are from outer space.

It is often difficult to con-

demn, therefore, those facets of the military for holding off on the final revelation, and it has been their policies rather than their reasons which have alienated a large number of individuals who could be a lot of help. By policies, we mean specifically that inclination by the Air Force in particular, to belittle and ridicule sighters as well as theorists. Their sweeping indictment of sighters is evident each time they mention 'hallucinations', illusions, etc., in reference to sightings, without specifying those sightings or sighters which have given testimony regarding truly unidentified objects, thus throwing the fakery, hoaxers, incapable observers and all the rest into the same category as the sincere, qualified sighters such as pilots, ground observers, and the like.

Since AMERICAN magazine ran a picture of the Director and her husband in their April issue, many more members have been taken into APRO, most of whom are more or less uninitiated as to the ins and outs of the 'saucer business'. Some, however, have come in with a thorough knowledge of what has transpired in the past 7 years, some of whom are ardent followers of what we are coming to call 'cultists'. We have always felt that this paper should be kept as impartial as possible, but yet when evidence which points to certain conclusions presents itself, we must bow to a superior force. Evidence has come up which indicates the interplanetary nature of 'flying saucers' but there has never been one iota of proof that the claims of so many 'saucer authorities' have any basis in fact. We are not referring to Donald E. Keyhoe, Ed Sullivan, Gerald Heard, or any of the officials of CSI, a former group of civilians engaged in research on flying saucers and related phenomena.

The Director would like to thank the members for the many cards of sympathy at the death of Mr. Lorenzen's mother. We are now well ensconced in our new home at Ceres, California, and will welcome any members who wish to visit us and discuss saucers and related subjects. It might also interest our membership to know that the Mt. Wilson and Palomar Observatories are referring inquiries regarding UFOs to the APRO.

More thanks to our necessarily anonymous member who is relaying so much interesting and valuable information from SW United States.
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the GRAPE VINE

Seems that most people interested in 'flying saucers' have turned to fact-recently, for rumors have ceased to come up as regularly and as effortlessly as during the year 1952 and we have very few to report. Some are so sensible and seem to be so closely related to fact that we can hardly doubt that there may be some substance to them and the following is one of those:

It is rumored that a man named Baruch is warning pilots of the coming 'onslaught of saucers. Attempts to trace this rumor show that there is a Don Baruch at the Office of the Chief Secretary of Defense who is a civilian connected with motion pictures in some way. We will try to inquire further into this, but of course cannot promise any real results.

One rumor of a different kind was forwarded by a very reliable person. Well-known in the saucer business, he is as concerned as any of us regarding rumors without purpose which seem to be floating around all the time. This one avers that 'several select men from other planets are quietly working in the Pentagon helping our government to ready the people for the big announcement. Our source's only comment was: "They get better all the time."

***** NEW PLANET SOUGHT BY ASTRONOMERS

One of our members has relayed to us the information that a search is under way to photograph a planet beyond Pluto. It's position and magnitude have already been calculated. Non-astronomers will note that Pluto is the furthestmost planet in our solar system. Brings to mind statements by various astronomers that it is doubtful that any more planets will be discovered.

During the week of May 8, FRANK EDWARDS said that Jim Mosely, who is writing a book dealing with the UFO is traveling in Peru gathering material dealing with the large number of sightings there. Mosely says that the number of sightings there leads him to speculate that the objects may be based somewhere in the Peruvian mountains. This is a logical assumption for most areas have saucer influxes only periodically, and Mosely seems to feel that Peru is a regular stamping ground for the phenomena.*****

THE GIANT ROCK CONVENTION FOR SAUCER ENTHUSIASTS started off with a bang on April 4th, and from all reports was a huge success in the fact that there was a large crowd present. All the 'notables' in the saucer business were there---including those claiming to have contacted the discs. Expectation that a saucer would land was rampant and a feeling of tenseness prevailed. Automobiles, airplanes, men and women, kids and dogs attended the convention and there was general congestion and confusion. An object (believed to have actually been a meteor) was in view for two seconds before disappearing, as all good meteors do, but threw the crowd into an uproar. The duration of the sighting, and the color indicated that it was indeed a meteor altho', if reports are correct, it was either very large or low or both. Comparing it's size to that of the full moon, many thought it was a 'sign' that 'they' were in the area and ready to land a giant saucer to give everyone a ride. No small Martians showed up, however.

AN APRO MEMBER says that one story held that two fireballs were seen over the convention area. She herself described an object she saw thusly: "Above the mountain appeared something that did not look like an airplane nor a saucer as described. It hovered there for between ten and twenty minutes. On each side of the tail piece were three huge balls of red. Have never seen signal lights on a plane like that. Too large, all red, and all three on each side of the tail. There seemed to be darts of white light. Whether they were from this object or from another one or a searchlight, we could not tell but the significant thing was that it hovered over our car for minutes.

This is only a brief summary of the "Giant Rock Convention" but inasmuch as nothing astounding happened, we do not think it rates much more space. It is possible that the object described by our member may have been a gag brought out by military authorities for a laugh. Many thought that may have been the case involving the disputed balls of fire supposedly seen by other attendants at the convention. You'd be surprised at the unusual sense of humor that some of those UFO investigators and 'authorities' have.*****

Saucer Bandwagon

The NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN, in its May 8, 1954 issue, gave a review of the subject matter of the lecture by Major James R. Randolph at a meeting of the Fairleigh-Dickinson College Chapter of the American Rocket Research Association. Randolph is director of thermodynamics at Pratt Institute, Brooklyn. He said saucers probably landed on earth thousands of years ago and formed basis for modern folk tales of airies, brownies and leprechauns.

MAN'S LIFE For July, 1954 carried an article named "America's First Flying Saucer". Written by Michael O. Barski who was consulting engineer on the project, this aircraft was invented by Norman McGlashan, according to the story. If this article is true, there may be an entirely different reason for the Air Force's keeping their UFO information strictly confidential. Mr. McGlashan and O'Barski immodestly claim that the thing is so good that to us it sounds like it performs as well or perhaps better than the real thing.

The February article dealing with saucers which appeared in BLUE BOOK and was authored by Menzel, brought repercussions in the reader's column, Pro and Con, for the BLUEBOOK May issue. Those letters proved that at least some Americans are on their toes mentally.

PIC for June, 1954, carried an article entitled "I PROVED FLYING SAUCERS ARE REAL" by former marine Ralph Mayer who photographed an unidentified flying object on July 29, 1952. This film was duly 'investigated' by the Air Force, which made no comment. Mayer exhibits papers, equations and pictures to prove his contentions and we believe him. We, the members of APRO have proven the reality of the saucers, but have not been able to convince anyone of any importance that we're not anything but crazy.

DOROTHY KILGALLEN's column for May 1, 1954 indicates that she has finally smelled the rat and is up on her high horse. If more columnists such as Miss Kilgallen could be alerted to what is going on, some progress in public education might be made.

Sensationally written and misquoting facts is the 'I Flew A Flying Saucer' appearing in FOCUS for May, 1954. Recounts Adamski's experience, allowing a good deal more credence than deserved to a tale which has no corroborating evidence.

The magazine ASTROLOGY, in its March issue sponsors "The Gospel of the Flying Saucers", and authored: (Continued on Page 9, Column 2)

WINDSHIELD POX (Con't. from Page 1) pitted glass with a jeweler's glass revealed that the pits appeared to have been etched, and many smaller pits were easily visible with the aid of the glass. Whatever caused the pits on the glass did not, apparently, affect the metal, and the windshield from the hood extending upward for 1½ or 2 inches, was unpitted. Mr. Higgins' private theory is that oil companies are using new ingredients in their fuels and that it is being thrown off from exhaust pipes and causes the pits. The most likely culprit would be hydrofluoride, but investigation indicates that it would also have some effect upon metal, which at this time is not indicated. Upon his suggestion of this theory as the solution, San Francisco daily The Chronicle informed him that they could not publish the theory for obvious reasons. (Fear of lawsuit and possible withdrawal of advertising). Another interesting incident is the fact that Mrs. Higgins' car now exhibits a few pits.

In the light of the fact that windshield pitting has been confined to Oregon, N. California, Nebraska, and a few states on the Eastern Seaboard (Oh, yes, and Wright-Patterson Air Base, Dayton, Ohio) the fuel theory sort of falls down. If a gasoline with a new additive which is causing windshield pitting is distributed in the usual way, it should be fairly widespread, but it isn't. Another fact which should be given a good deal of consideration is that jet planes have shown the same plague and jet planes do not fly close enough behind each other to catch exhaust fumes, also diesel trucks (Mr. Higgins' favorite scapegoat) do not smoke-up the airways. This is a puzzler which may or may not be solved, and it seems to us that enough concerted effort is not being put forth. Newsweek for May 3 gives Mrs. Higgins' experience a tidbit: "The experts-in such matters, wary of their experiences with flying saucers, are not leaping to conclusions." Also, in the Periscope feature on page 17, the following: "Dayton, Ohio---The Air Materiel Command is quietly joining other research agencies in trying to determine just what causes pockmarked windshields. A top team of scientists and officers is traveling the country studying the problem. The Air Force regards it with deadly seriousness." They should, especially when it crops up within their own bailiwick. Grey, lead-colored pellets, 1/32 inch in diameter, non-magnetic and ra-

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RECENT SIGHTINGS

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CORRECTION:

The first sighting listed in this column in the March 15 bulletin concerned a report from Mrs. Alvin Witt. We were in error in quoting the impression she got regarding the outer, transparent shape around the disc itself. It did not look like a 'bright bulb', but rather white and-transparent-without any glowing at all. We are sorry about this discrepancy, but as we later wrote to Mrs. Witt, it is often difficult to interpret various impressions as accurately as we would like.

May 15, 1954, residents from San Francisco to Hollywood, Calif. observed a large, green meteor which described a course of W to E and, according to Lick observatory astronomer Olin Eggen, apparently landed in the Mount Hamilton area 15 miles east of the observatory in the Isabel valley. The sighting was made at 11:20 p. m., Eggen said the 'whole thing was over within 20-25 seconds', but other observers have been found who swear they watched it for a considerable time. What makes this sighting interesting is the fact that the astronomers said it set 14 or 15 small brush fires which they watched burning until they went out at 2 a. m. Forest rangers who scoured the area (arid, scrubby trees) the next day, said the moisture in the ground and vegetation would not permit burning and they found no traces of burned debris or meteor residue. No sound or concussion heard as the object hit has been reported and we very much doubt that it was a meteor as it has been claimed. We will investigate this one further.

We have a personal account of the sighting of Jimmie Milligan of Santa Fe, New Mexico, who last October 25th encountered a metallic looking, boat-shaped object which 'floated' past the front of his car heading west. There was no wind. He got out and found the object lying in the weeds by the road. When he put out his hands to touch it, it raised up about 3 feet and took off in a steep climb toward Santa Fe. Not spitting of fire or glow, it sounded like a one-sylinder engine or a washing machine engine, but faster and louder. Officials at White Sands denied any knowledge of the object, Gen. Eddy, C. O. of White Sands Proving Grounds said: "I doubt very much" that the object came from the proving ground. "I

don't know anything about it."

Bobby Wheeler of Pasadena, Texas sends this sighting: On April 28, 1954, he viewed a double-ringed phenomena through a pair of homemade binoculars. He estimated it to be approximately 40 feet in diameter and 10 feet high, the rings being one on top of the other and 3 feet apart. Rings approximately 3.5 ft. thick, appeared to be connected with six struts about 1 foot wide, regularly spaced. Whole object glowed with a green phosphorus-like glow. In center was sphere which was a darker green with regularly spaced red 'blobs' around the center. It appeared to be connected to the rings. The object first moved slowly then hovered for 2 min., then reversed directions and cruised in a circle. After this it disappeared without moving.

March 28, 1954. Capt. Dan C. Holland, Kosciusko, Miss., reported seeing 'round, unidentified object' some distance below the Air Force - Banana River guided-missile launching base off Florida East Coast. Object appeared to be performing aerial stunts. No other details.

Virginia Moe of River Forest, Ill. observed the following on Feb. 18, 1954 at South Grove, Oak Park, Ill. Observed continuously from 8:35 or 8:40 a. m. through 9. Object appeared like very bright star, occasionally assumed a cigar-shape. Seen in west, moving very slowly upward, it appeared to have a sort of wispy gray broken circle around it. Miss Moe had to enter a building and when she came out, the object was gone. During observation, the object had leveled off in it's course and curved gently toward the south. (Ed.'s note: The location, time, would not indicate any astronomical object. Both Venus and Jupiter were at that particular time setting in the west in the evening. UFO seems to be the verdict).

March 4, 1954. Mrs. Helen K. Keel of Baltimore, Md., observed a bright, white light about the size of a grapefruit at 60 degrees from horizon and in southeast. Object had peculiar 'antenna' on top which seemed to rotate as the object moved across sky. Trees obscured further observation, but object seen for 2 minutes. Object had remained very bright, with the 'antenna' going to long-short to-to short-long as it went. Montebello F.O.C. reported blue-white light at 8:26 p. m. Time of Keel's sighting: 8:15.

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While trying to locate object which had disappeared to the E, another object appeared in the SE. This one smaller, size of orange with bright orange-yellow-white color, traveling rapidly eastward, NE to north, making inverted arc across sky. Disappeared from sight in N because of buildings and trees obscuring view. Then, two very bright objects directly overhead at an estimated 180 degrees, traveling very rapidly. The objects remained at equal distances from one another, but both at same speed. Seemed to come from E and disappeared toward west behind buildings. Objects very high, about size of oranges, but extremely bright. No audible sounds and no aircraft in vicinity during the sighting of third set of objects. Aircraft and conventional noise of aircraft in sky during first two sightings.

March 9, 1954. Mr. Joseph E. Crepeau of Greenfield, Mass., looking at sky from his barbershop window, saw object which appeared as large or larger than moon, apparently solid and more white than silver in color. First thought it a jet, until it reached point in the sky at about 45 or 50 degrees from the zenith and almost directly before him. It stopped, hovered for a short while, then just as suddenly, it shot away at right angles to its previous path. While hovering it sort of swung to and fro, pendulum-like.

March 18, 1954:30 p. m. Mrs. Theles Condaski of Greenfield, Mass. saw strange object in sky. Like a small silver ball, very high, it flew in wide circle trailing tail which couldn't have been vapor trail as it did not 'feather out' on end, but rather 'stopped abruptly' and the 'tail' moved along with the object as if a part of it. Observed for approximately one minute.

March 23, 1954, Orange lights in sky southwest of Chicago. Reported to filter center, which announced nothing detected by radar. Midway Airport spokesman said plane flying over steel mill area may have reflected fires at the mills and caused the illusion. (Didn't say definitely whether there was a plane up at the time, and inasmuch as the Filter center said no flying objects detected by radar, we took it for granted that meant the conventional objects, also.)

Freemont, Neb. March 23, 1954. Liquid hot object shattered on sidewalk in heart of downtown Freemont. Dr. C. B. Schultz, director of the University of Nebraska Museum reported that analysis had shown object to contain carbon which made him skeptical that it

was a meteorite. Dr. Gilbert Lounghoener, Prof. of Geology at Midland College explained that carbon in meteorites is unorthodox altho object had some earmarks of a meteorite. Also said object must have been the size of an orange. Another Dr. got into the act--Dr. Charles M. Riley, assistant professor of Geology at U. of Nebraska ran analysis of ashes and found it contained charcoal, sulphur and soluble salt, 'most likely potassium chlorate.' He said it was 'probably' just a chemical concoction mixed up by school kids, obviously crudely made, as there were pockets of unburned carbon indicating that the ingredients had not been well mixed. Object found in almost circular form about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch thick on a sidewalk in front of Fay A. Hayden home. No one saw the thing drop, but it lit up the neighborhood like a flare. Dr. Schultz suggested that it might have been a flare dropped from an airplane.

March 25, 1954. Adolph Wagner observed 13 lighted objects in V formation over Baltimore, Md. Moving slowly but perceptibly, first seen at 50 degrees off horizon, triangular in shape, and even glow throughout. Fluorescent blue color, W to E course, observed through 150 degree course. One side of V formation left the group, made a very sharp turn and headed toward commercial airliner coming out of NE. Remainder of formation continued E and Wagner watched until they were out of sight. When executing turn, objects turned to color almost purple, but glow at all times sharply defined--no hazy edges. Wagner also stated that when he first saw objects, they were suddenly joined by a much larger object that came out of NW and took position at head of formation. No noise, no exhaust at all. Wagner is employed by American Oil Company, is Deputy Coordinator for the Southern District of Civil Defense. Highly esteemed by Col. Frank Milani, Chief of Civil Defense for Baltimore City who attended interrogation by APRO representatives from radio station WFBR, Baltimore, Md. Time of observation: 10:32 through 10:37 p. m. Inquiry at Friendship regarding landing time of the commercial airliner showed that Eastern Airline #645-W landed at 10:42 on night in question. When checking Friendship Control Tower, Tower Controller was asked to reveal Friendship flight pattern between 10:20 and 10:40 p. m. on March 24. He was very abrupt and replied: "They were formations of geese flying over." When asked what geese had to do with the question, he merely re-

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peated this phrase several times.

March 26, River Forest, Ill. Virginia Roe observes two 'frosty orange' objects speeding N-to S. They appeared to be chasing each other, then one dropped down onto the course of the other. Miss Roe thought there would be a collision but they got into position together and went behind treetops. When calling O'Hare field to report the incident, she was very surprised when, before she was even half through with her description, to hear him ask if it was a 'dull orange glow'. She said that would describe it, but frosty orange seemed more appropriate. A regular aircraft was in the sky with appropriate lights and noise. Time of observation: 7:30-7:35 p. m.

March 28, 1954--object seen from Danielson, Plainfield, Moosup, Jewett City, Norwich and New London Conn. Descriptions varied from round like a ball to elliptical, others said it was hollow in the center. Horizontal and vertical movement in general easterly direction did not check with wind direction at the time. When it disappeared, it moved straight up until it could no longer be seen. Color: bright metallic color most of the time, too bright to watch. When it moved, the top glowed orange and red. Those observers watching through binoculars or scopes agreed that there seemed to be fire around object. Height: obviously above regular plane routes, for several planes went over during sighting. Soundless, estimates as to speed by observers are not in agreement. One observer claimed he saw some sort of tail-like protuberance while watching through binoculars, some said object had spinning motion. Most observers agreed some type of fire or red coloring connected with object.

Member Frederick Maynard sends in the following which is a condensation of material gathered by him from two people in different localities regarding what appears to be the same sighting:

Thursday, April 1, a woman called Frederick and told him that her father-in-law, who spoke only Polish, had just seen something odd. The location of the sighting was Goodyear, Conn., the time was 7:15 p. m. Mr. Condaski (her father-in-law) was outside and was suddenly bathed in bright light that cast shadows on the ground. Next, a flaming object went over his head. He rushed into his home badly frightened. The object was heading N. Shortly after the woman had called and related the incident, another man, John Rude of Wauregan, Conn., called and verified the

sighting. Rude was walking home when he became aware of the bright light which cast huge shadows on the ground. He first thought he was in the path of a car, but he looked up and a ball of light passed over him. It was huge, estimated at 200 to 1000 feet above him and going at a rapid rate of speed. It was out of sight within a second. He could only describe it as spherical, extremely bright with no trail and no sound.

Sunday, March 30, Newtown, Conn. Time: 3:30 p. m. to 4:15 p. m. Clear with scattered clouds at 3000 ft. F. Byron Tomlinson, while attending Cub Scout kite flying contest sighted an object at about 2,000 ft. alt. directly above, on a course to the NE. Object round, approximately 12 to 15 feet in diameter, shiny. It stood motionless though wind was blowing at approximately 30 mph with stronger gusts. While watching, a group of planes went over a few miles away and were actually tilted into the wind. Tomlinson hurried home, watched through high-powered binoculars, as the object slowly disappeared from sight. Other witnesses, Mr. and Mrs. William Barnett of Silvermine Ave., Norwalk and Mrs. Tomlinson's three sons.

Pistakee Bay, Ill. March 1954. Ralph O. Munson and his dog were sitting on a pier near his home when they saw and heard object which dipped low at lightning speed, paused over them and then sped away. Munson said he felt it's 'pulsating ventilation' when it roared and hovered over him. Munson said his dog crouched low and barked, and neighbors later commented that TV sets were mysteriously blanked out at the time of the sighting.

March 28, 1954. Norwich, Conn. Silver ball seen by many in the NE sky, first noticed in north, then traveled into the eastern and western sections. Seen from every section of the city and in surrounding areas. Object disappeared when sun went down at 6:30 p. m.

May 3, 1954, Littleton, Colorado. Three Littleton men reported seeing 'nightmarish' green-faced ape man playing catch with a dead chicken on preceding Tuesday morning about seven miles south of Littleton. Men described the creature as sickening-looking green with a mouth about four inches across.

May 4, 1954, San Francisco area, Modesto, Calif. Between 10:30 and 11 p. m. residents in San Francisco and Modesto observed blazing white light, described by some as 'blue and red and fish-shaped with a long tail. One man in Frisco said the front was white with colors trailing behind. Terrific noise accompanied the object, and was ex-

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SCIENTIFIC THEORY

The March, 1954 issue of Pagant magazine featured an article by Jonathan Norton Leonard entitled "Will There Ever Be a Space Ark?" The usual stuff about space excursions, the utilization of the dead for food, etc. Most of this is rehashed speculation which has been over-used before.

Willey Loy, rocket and space-travel expert (it isn't difficult to be an expert on a subject about which very little is known) stated at a Rotary club in Chicago in March that our first trip to the Moon will probably be our last. He believes that we will just go there to determine how right (or wrong) we are about the moon's physical characteristics. Loy believes our first space trip will be within five years, and destination moon will take place 12 years hence. Which brings us to the following:

"Why Astronomers Won't Talk About the Moon" is a juicy bit in the April BLUEBOOK. The subhead should be enough to arouse anyone's curiosity and here it is: "Cities that grow, signal lights, explosions and strange, geometric shadows---these and other fantastic matters unexplainable by known natural laws have now been sighted on the moon by reputable scientific observers. What's behind the top echelon curtain of secrecy being drawn over these sensational discoveries?" Should at least put some of these egotistical stargazers in their places for a while. Only the egotistical ones, mind!

"The Growing Field of Space Medicine" in May SIR magazine is another speculation piece. In our opinion, Mr. McClusky had better give a little more thought to his articles' actual factual content. We have been unable to check out many of his claims made in other articles in past magazine issues. Interesting reading, however.

We find that the Ice Cap theory exploited in our last APRO issue is neither new and probably not true. Clippings from members seem to indicate that both the ice caps are retreating, rather than increasing, leading to the surmise that the world is actually becoming warmer. It wouldn't surprise me a bit---it's 90 in the shed at my house this very minute.*****

A study of the earth's magnetism, atmosphere, aurora and airglow, cosmic rays, etc., will be made in 1957 by an international council of scientists. The study will come at a time of maximum solar activity and many of the investigations will center on solar effects. The study is called the International Geophysical Year---this is the 3rd.

HOW TRUE IS TRUE?

The recent article by Capt. Edward J. Ruppelt, USAFR, in TRUE magazine entitled "What Our Air Force Found Out About Flying Saucers" will no doubt cause a great hullabaloo in the saucer world, inasmuch as it is an admittance that the interplanetary theory is more than just considered by the AF authorities. Again, as so many times in the past, the title is very misleading, for the subhead on this article gives some very important information. We specifically note the second line: "From 1951 to 1953 Mr. Ruppelt was in charge of Project Blue Book, the official Air Force investigation of UFO. This is what he learned about them." In other words, the article does not deal with what the Air Force found out, but rather what Ruppelt, himself, found out. Actually his opinion regarding what he found out does not amount to much, for he is no doubt still under security regulations and the opinions that he holds are not official Air Force opinions. On page 134 of the article where Ruppelt is summing up what he has learned, he makes this statement: "To my knowledge, the Air Force has not concealed any secret sensations about saucers." Those words are a qualification of the whole article. Does Capt. Ruppelt assume that he would know everything going on in the saucer investigation? The final analysis and deductions are handled by the top intelligence agency in this country, and would not be available to a mere captain in the Air Force. That agency is Central Intelligence, the only group that even Senator McCarthy's Senate Investigations Committee cannot penetrate.

More comments regarding discrepancies in the logic of the article are forwarded to us by a member who is an amateur astronomer and no mental slouch (yes, we mean you, Jennydinner!). We quote: (1) Page 124, 1st col., 1st para. At 1/10 second exposure, ordinary film will not photograph stars but it could possibly photograph something with a definite shape and it wouldn't necessarily have to be brighter than the star, but much bigger than the star's point of light. So that explains why stars didn't show up while the objects did. (2) In paragraph 3, the speed was estimated at 30 degrees a second. I've figured out how fast the objects were traveling at different heights in order to cover 30 degrees a second. I am sending these figures to you. (Ed. Note: The figures run from 17.7 mph at 50 ft. alt. to 1,080 mph at 3,000 ft. alt. The birds would have had to be at least 400 ft. alt. not (Con't on Page Nine, Column One)

THE EDITORIAL (Con't. from Page 2)

The delay in this bulletin is due to several things among which the following are predominant: The heavy mail following the AMERICAN magazine and SCIENCE-DIGEST mentions, the work involved in completely uprooting housekeeping and moving 3000 miles, then finding a new home, unpacking, reestablishing a home, plus a bit of heart trouble and virus pneumonia which assailed the Director shortly after her arrival in Ceres. All is well, now however, and during the coming onslaught of sightings, news will be kept in the mails between issues if necessary, by way of special issues as in the past.

As we work on this issue of the APRO bulletin, we are aware something may break, and if so, a separate sheet containing any new developments will be attached to the regular issue at mailing time.

Again, we'd like to extend our thanks to members who have written, forwarded clippings, information, and are patiently awaiting answers. We will try to clear up some of the back work, and know that the membership will forgive us if we are very late, for we know that to them also the Bulletin is of prime importance. It is our only way of communicating saucer news to all of our members. *****

TRUE MAGAZINE'S SAUCER ARTICLE

(Con't from Page Eight) to have been readily recognized as birds, even at night. That still would have them cutting the atmosphere at 108 mph. That's pretty fantastic, although we are not positive just what approximate speed is their limit. However, if they were plovers, seems to us the Air Force would have quoted speeds as another point in their reasoning, and they didn't.) The golden Plover is supposed to be one of the fastest flying birds. Maybe you can find out how fast and high and if they fly at night. I'm trying to find out here. (3) Para. 6 and 7. All mercury vapor lights I've seen have reflectors that focus lights downward. It is hard to see how light could be reflected off of their breasts if it was focussed downward. (Ed. Note: a good point, Jennydinner. The mercury vapor lights would not be doing the job cut out for them if not reflected downward. The reflectors concentrate the light just where it is needed---on the ground---that's what they are there for. (4) On page 125, Col. 1 Para. 4. The confusion about the size of the moon is not unusual. Because a full moon is bright, it appears big. In fact, I was surprised when I found out actually how big it is (Con't next column)

WINDSHIELD POX (Con't. from Page 4)

diation-free fell near Astoria, Oregon during their epidemic of the pox.. We have not been able to secure specimens, but an independent analysis is indicated, and all members in the state of Oregon are urged to make a concerted effort to obtain some without the 'authorities' knowing why they want it. *****

THE BANDWAGON (Con't. from Page 4) by George Siebel. Siebel claims to have found and decoded a metal cylinder which indicates that we're all wrong about everything and that he is right. Psychiatrists warn that this sort of illusion is one of the first signs of schizophrenia but we won't go into that here. We are still wondering whether the writing was on the inside of the cylinder or the outside---and whether Siebel himself knows. *****

TRUE SAUCERS (Con't from Col. 1) Take out your handy pocket-size guide to the constellations and look up Orion. There should be a little triangle of stars at his head. The full moon will fit into that triangle. To me, it appears as though that moon business was put in to show the observers were suffering from mass hysteria or something like that. (5) Page 126, Col. 1, Para. 7. It seems sort of strange that a meteor would travel slow enough for the pilots to give such a thorough description." Unquote.

Although there are other points which could be knocked flat, we won't take the time or the space as we have much more important new to pass along to each other in this issue. Most of the members will be able to spot the weak spots themselves, so we will cease and desist at this point and consider the matter of Capt. Ruppelt and the Air Force's saucer findings well covered.*

IS THERE LIFE ON MARS?

The above title is one of a pair of articles featured by Collier's in their April 30 issue. Written by Dr. Fred L. Whipple, Chairman of the Department of Astronomy, Harvard U., it points out the evidence against life on Mars, winding up with this statement: "How can we say with certainty that there isn't a different form of life existing on Mars---a kind of life that we know nothing about?" The Director made that statement exactly seven years ago when laughed at regarding her speculation that the saucers might be piloted by creatures from Mars. But then, and now, she doesn't have a college degree entitling her to be bigoted, egotistical and authoritarian in her beliefs and convictions---no matter how logical the thought train involved. ****

RECENT SIGHTINGS (Con't from Page 8)
 plained away by officials at Oakland Airport control tower as noise made by jets being tested and repaired by Trans-Ocean Airlines. No confirmation of this from Trans-Ocean, and no jets seen. Retired astronomer Dr. Earl G. Linsley, formerly of University of California, said object's blue-green color could be caused by burning magnesium. Duration of observation not given in papers, but Mr. Wayne Schoech of Johns Muir Court in Modesto and a friend reported seeing the object. Schoech had been driving, stopped car to watch, figured he observed it for at least three minutes. (Ed. note: This is a meteor? This seems to be the 1st of a rash of 'flaming objects' to be seen in this area. The Director lives in Ceres, which is seven miles from Modesto, will keep an eye out for such sightings, also investigate the likelihood of the explanations offered. A similar rash of 'meteor' sightings occurred in 1952 during the big saucer influx that year.)

May 9, 1954. Oval-shaped object observed at 1:12 a. m. north by northwest of Linden, Michigan. Observers: Mrs. C. L. Clark, Richard Harwood, Patricia Harwood, Carl Hyde and Marian Clark. Object oval with brilliant glow around it which seemed to break into two distinct bands around the solid looking center object. Remained in view five minutes and then began to recede up and away into the northwest. Observation through field glasses showed circles around object were blend of red, blue and green, like burning gaseous masses. Just before it faded from view the gaseous mass turned a brilliant white.

Unidentified, glowing disc-shaped objects observed over Northern Sweden have prompted the Swedish government to dispatch technicians to that area to observe. Definitely not planes of any type. Objects seen over heavy forests.

April 30, Newbury, Mass. Russell Pierce watched glowing disc for 5 seconds. Several other individuals also observed the phenomena, and Pierce has been questioned by Air Force authorities.

 OLD SIGHTINGS

1953, North Greenfield, Mass. A Mrs. Travis observed two objects which looked to her like silver pie pans in the sky. They hovered for sometime, and Mrs. Travis said they appeared to be quite large.

On January 11, 1954, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Holt of Ceres, California slept overnight in their trailer at the Painted Desert in New Mexico and before going to bed Mrs.

Holt sat outside and watched the stars. When she went out, she saw an object which seemed to be revolving like a huge traffic light in the sky. It shone red, then green, then white light. Confused as to what it was, she watched it for about 20 minutes, then called Mr. Holt who didn't want to come out as he thought she was probably was watching a plane. When she said it had been in the same spot over the Desert for 20 minutes, he came out and saw it too. Suddenly, it blinked out and that was the last that was seen of it.

Crows Landing, Calif. William G. Elliot, stationed at an airfield in California in 1946 noticed a group of fellows looking toward the sky and when he looked up, saw a silver-colored balloon or ball, larger than the stars but still smaller than the moon. Soon, everyone there at the Air Base had seen it. Object stayed in the same position for several hours. Next day, it was gone and Elliot learned that a plane had been sent up to investigate, but reaching it's maximum altitude, still didn't seem to be any nearer than when on the ground. Time: 1:30 p. m. (Despite lack of noticeable breeze, this could hardly have been a balloon, as upper air currents would not have allowed it to hover for so long a period of time. Elliot also stated that had it been a balloon, it would not have been seen from the ground because of it's high altitude.---Ed.)

Large 'meteor' seen at Springview, Nebraska, the Friday preceding December 31, 1953. Observed by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ioyer, the object was described as being as large as the full moon and very bright. First seen in the south, object was traveling westward, and disappearing before reaching the horizon.

Reddish, star-like object seen by Mary C. Kimball at Dover-Foxcroft, Maine, on November 5, 1952. Looking out an upstairs window, Miss Kimball watched it blink on and off several times, then flare dull red, then turn amber and again blink on and off. It didn't move otherwise. Object still there one hour later and still blinking on and off, and then flaring up again, only this time the flare color was amber and the flare seemed to point to the west. Sky conditions: very clear. Time: 9:30 p. m. Object sighted in Eastern sky.

Mr. Lloyd Kelly of E. Vancouver, B. C. relates sighting made by his mother on a bright spring day in mid-morning. The exact date is not known, but it was long before saucer sightings were the common thing. A pair of objects 'about (Continued reverse side "DEADLINE".)

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN DISC NEWS

Holmuth W. Engelman, assistant professor of mechanical engineering at the U. of Wisconsin and former research technician for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics made the following statements in April:

"I do not think reports of flying saucers are nonsense. Any and all of these stories may be proven false but there is no basis for doing so now. There have been 2,000 sightings since 1947. If the Russians had anything to do with flying saucers, however, they wouldn't be musing with the coming Geneva conference." He also said that the U. S. Air Force is not writing off discs as figments of over-active imaginations. The A. F., he said, makes investigations of every reported sighting, and none of the reported sightings has indicated the saucers were propelled by jets or rockets. He added: "That fact has led to speculation that their propulsion systems somehow tap the earth's magnetic field and if that is true, we are 10,000 years behind in our engineering. It may be that these saucers are interplanetary." Engelman said he has paid serious attention to the flying discs for years. (Ed. Note: We wonder if his degree will keep him from being called fanatic or crazy).

In an April 6 feature in the Los Angeles Mirror, Donald Keyhoe made some more startling statements regarding saucers. He said that the coming study of Mars by top astronomers may be used as the opening wedge for some startling announcements about UFOs. Also, Mr. Keyhoe said that if the Mars committee of astronomers finds absolute proof of life on that planet the news will be released immediately and the government may take the opportunity to release some information about UFOs which heretofore have been kept under wraps. Mr. Keyhoe listed panic as the prime reason that the A. F. has so jealously guarded their data (we suspect they also guard the press wires against general knowledge of widespread reports) recently. "The A. F. doesn't know the whole motive back of this," Keyhoe declared, "and if they were convinced of friendly intentions by the visitors, the public would have had the whole story long ago."

Keyhoe rapped individuals who claim to have talked to space men from other planets. "When the saucer race contacts us," he said, "it will not be to private individuals or obscure people but to the heads of government." He added, "Those who tell of personal contacts only serve to cast ridicule on the whole subject." *****

NEW DEVELOPMENTS IN DISC NEWS(Con't)

After Bill Nash, Pan-American World Airlines pilot expressed his opinion in February that the Air Force had collected 'hardware' from outer space, the A. F. again debunked saucers by stating that they have no 'hunks' of saucers, don't believe they're from outer space or another government, and if supplied with enough information could explain every report over the last six years in earthly, non-sensational terms. Nash, who with his co-pilot Forstenberry, sighted 3 glowing red discs near Newport News, Va., in 1952 made his statement when he addressed the Greater Miami Aviation Association in Miami.

In the PROFILE section of the Milwaukee Sentinel for March 21, 1954, the following gem was carried in it's Show Business Column: "Jerry Fairbanks, who is familiar to many Milwaukee concerns for the commercial and TV films he has made, will soon produce his first, full-length theatrical motion picture, "Project Saucer" which he describes as the first true flying disc picture ever to be made. Fairbanks, who has access to voluminous files of government and aviation material on the discs, already has a completed script which will be mainly a documentary. We wonder if this so-called documentary will be a fizzle like most of the Air Force's attempts to explain the saucer mystery. Or could it be possible that this time it is preparation for a big announcement?

It seems very odd to us that the Air Force could see it's way clear to maintain their stand regarding the discs after the Office of Naval Research's startling announcements made in the American Weekly, Nov. 22, the contents of which were duly listed in the APRO Bulletin for January 15, 1954.

A bit of puzzling photography showed up in the Alhambra Post-Advocate for March 20, 1954. A picture showing a man in a speedboat at Puddingstone Dam also reveals a very odd-looking object in the sky off to the right side of the picture. It can be fairly accurately described as two boats stuck together, bottom to bottom and viewed from the side. The blown up picture shows the object to be a little too nebulous and not clearly enough defined to be a mechanical device, in our opinion. This could actually be one of those much-heralded mirages. J. W. Wagner, the individual who snapped the picture, said he was photographing the speedboat in the picture, noticed something flash through his vision and when he developed the picture, there it was. *****

AUSTRALIAN PHOTOGRAPHS DISC

A man who refuses to come forward and identify himself succeeded in obtaining a remarkably clear and detailed photo of a UFO over Alice Springs, Australia on January 15. The picture, accompanied by the following note were slipped under the door of the Cent Australian Advocate and were both duly published in the paper on February 5. We quote now the contents of the note: "For some reasons, one of which is because I can hardly believe it myself, I refuse at this time to come forward and allow my name to be used. But study this picture of a flying saucer yourself. I was taking a picture at Mount Gillen on the day that a number of Alice Springs people said that they heard something strange pass over the town. Suddenly an enormous round looking object appeared from behind Gillen. It went high, then dropped to come quite low between the mountain and the town---it was not traveling very fast at this stage---in fact it appeared to be almost hovering. That was when I took this picture---almost automatically. I focussed and clicked the camera. It would have been possible to take more shots but I just looked, then suddenly the thing moved off very fast---it gained speed until it must have been traveling at terrific pace, going high and to the west. I did not hear much of a whistling sound. The saucer looked to have been anything up to 150 ft. across." Unquote.

We now quote various excerpts from an article in the Advocate of February 19, concerning the picture. "Mr. F. Churchman, of the South Australian Astronomical Society contacted us this week. He says of the picture: 'As soon as I saw the photo I recognized it as to type. These cartwheel pattern saucers are not uncommon. There are reports of similar ones having been seen on June 11, 1855; May 15, 1879; June 10, 1909; August 12, 1910; October, 1891; April 1901; June, 1906; and March, 1907. I, for one, do not think for a moment it is a 'fake' and would like to get in touch with the man that took the photo---privately, through your paper, and will keep his name secret, if he wishes.'"

Edgar Jarrold, President of the Australian Flying Saucer Bureau and APRO honorary member, was kind enough to forward the above to headquarters. We are indebted to Mr. Jarrold for his prompt and efficient submitting of Australian reports. The saucer world could use a few more competent reporters such as he. The following sightings from Australia are condensed

from the Australian Flying Saucer Magazine, edited and published by Mr. Jarrold and AFSB.

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA, Oct. 1, 1953. More grey, cobweb-like filament seen on ground by John Anderson who took it home to analyze it. He put it on an ink bottle while debating exactly what to do with it and before a sample could be analyzed, it had disappeared---within an hour. Day clear.

ENGLISH CHANNEL, Oct. 9, 1953. Capt. and First Officer of a B. E. A. aircraft en route to France, watched large, elliptical, highly polished metallic-like craft flying at approximately 20,000 ft. alt. across the Channel. Sky clear, duration of observation: 30 minutes.

KENT, ENGLAND, Nov. 3, 1953. Circular object emitting or reflecting bright white light sighted by pilot and navigator of jet night fighter. Object at great height, they reported to British Intelligence. Report verified by radar unit in London whose set registered very large echo from something at 60,000 feet. Scanners locked on the object, then motionless and studied it for ten minutes through telescope. Object white and spherical, after ten minute pause, it slowly moved off, glowing occasionally.

LONDON, ENGLAND, Nov. 11, 1953. Air Ministry officials admit U. S. and England exchanging saucer data, also that many reports are withheld from the public. No reason given.

CHRISTCHURCH, NEW ZEALAND. Unidentified man (Nov. 18, 1953) reported watching red light about the magnitude of ordinary star as it traveled at speed of fast airliner over city at 10:30 previous night. NW to NE course, it remained visible for 2 or 3 minutes, long enough to get his binoculars and observe with the aid of them. Christchurch Airport control tower and Wigram, N. Z. A. F. station confirmed that no conventional aircraft in the air at the time.

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA, Nov. 19, 1953. Brisbane TELEGRAPH newspaper using red, inch-high headlines, announced that British War Office, in it's first official statement on saucers, recognized their factual existence and was investigating many English sightings.

PRETORIA, SOUTH AFRICA. Defense Headquarters investigating mysterious radar contact with 'undoubtedly solid object' but still-unexplained, which had been observed in sky over the Cape Peninsula at Capetown.

LONDON, ENGLAND, Nov. 21, 1953. DAILY MAIL newspaper asks several questions regarding English UFO sightings, also asked why two U.S. pilots investigated a 'bright red thing' at 17,000 ft. were forbidden to mention what they had seen.*****

DEADLINE DOPE

This issue we add a new feature which we believe is appropriately dubbed "Deadline Dope". It will contain last minute notices, sightings and news in general. In this way, we believe we can incorporate any new pertinent information into the Bulletin up until printing time. Perhaps the Director's illness and the ensuing tardiness of this issue will prove to be fortunate in a way. Read on and decide for yourself:

U. S. F. CHIEF OF STAFF Nathan Twining recently made the following statement concerning saucers: We have the biggest brains in this country working on the problem. If they come from Mars and are that far ahead of us, we have nothing to worry about.

FLYING DISCS OVER WASHINGTON

Electronics technicians at Washington National Airport recorded behavior of tremendous object which traveled 150 to 175 mphn ten miles above the earth. The date: May 13. The time: 1 p. m.

It may be interesting to know that shortly before this sighting, 7 people watched a disc described as 1/4 the size of the moon which pulsed a faint crimson color over DAYTON, OHIO. Observers reported by telephone to Wright-Patterson Air Base at Dayton (seat of Air Force research on discs) and jets were sent up. As soon as the jets left the ground, the object left---swiftly. The usual statement was made regarding the jets---they were 'merely on a training flight.' Date: May 12.

Again, on May 17, Washington was visited by flying discs. At Washington National Airport, personnel watched two large, green objects make three high-speed passes from the NE to S. Observation made with aid of night glasses.

At 12:03 a. m. on May 20, San Francisco residents and Bay area residents were startled by a flash out at sea which 'lit up the ground' and the duration of which was estimated from 6 to 60 seconds. We would like to comment that a meteor would have to be awfully big and awfully bright in order to light up the sky and ground as this one did. Also, a meteor that large and low would hit somewhere and the concussion and ensuing blast would be heard. A meteor of that size, if landing in the ocean, would in all probability cause tidal reactions.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, May 15. Flying discs (red lights) outrun jets, observed through binoculars by wit-

nesses. Sighting time: night. Air Force denied that jets were chasing 'saucers', said red lights observed from ground were flashes from jets. Observers easily distinguished between jets and mysterious red lights.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, May 15. 7 other railroad workers watch two round, metallic objects. Estimated as 15 ft. in diameter, objects very fast, in sight for 2 minutes. Sighting in May, exact date not known.

VIENNA, AUSTRIA, May 15. Circular, metallic-looking objects in wedge-shaped formation occasionally emitting flames observed for 30 minutes by Viennese as they crossed Austria in a S to W direction.

VANCOUVER, B. C., CANADA, May 8. Group of silver objects watched by Vancouver residents.

Analysis of the 313 sightings printed in PRO Bulletins in the past two years show the following breakdown statistics: 50% discs, 19% globes, 16% lights, 5% cigar-shaped and 10% miscellaneous (including double-ringed phenomena). These sightings are only those we considered to be bona-fide aerial phenomena (not possible meteors, Venus, etc.).

FATE Magazine for May, 1954 has a special Saucer Section devoted entirely to news in the saucer world.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, March 9, 1954. John E. Stewart, pilot, 6500 hours military flying time observes dark, ellipsoidal body inside bright halo of pulsating, bluish white light. Moving slowly in southerly course, disc looked much like a 'manufactured machine'. Object hovered for 7 or 8 minutes over Cincinnati General Electric plant. Stewart stopped car, watched for 4 minutes, estimated elevation as 2 or 3 thousand ft. While trying to find someone to verify sighting, Stewart said object picked up acceleration, abruptly changed color from bluish-white to yellow to molten red. Object suddenly changed course to east and disappeared in seconds in upward, almost vertical climb. No sound, no vapor trail.

CINCINNATI, OHIO. Anonymous sighter, member of C. A. A., flight engineer for 11 years, sees wingless, fuselage-shaped object climbing at 60 degree angle into sunny sky filled with cumulous clouds. After quick acceleration, greyish, metallic-appearing object reached new elevation at 16 to 18,000 ft., leveled off and hovered for about 10 seconds, then dived back to ori-

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ginal elevation before levelling off and racing westward across Cincinnati skies. Object disappeared in 3 seconds without sound or vapor trail. Observer stated object definitely solid and controlled. A.F. visited Mr. at his home after hearing of sighting--presumably to get the details. July, 1950, 1:45 p.m.

We would like to extend the hand of welcome to our many new members who, because of the AERI-CAN magazine article, inquired and eventually joined APRO. Many of our new members appear to be very conscientious about their duties as members---more power to them! We would like to especially thank Josephine Myers and Jacqueline Sanders. Both of these girls are real workers.

We believe all members, old and new, should pat the backs of Rev. Albert Baller, Doris Saunders, Alex Saunders, Laimon Mitris, Celia Block, Roy Munson, Pete Bartkus, Helen Brooks of Station WFBR in Baltimore, O. D. Hoopes, Mary Hyde, James Trebel, for their exceptional coverage. Mr. Baller takes great pains to send in every report he gets his hands on. We would also like to thank our brainy little (excuse me, Jennydinner, you are not really little) friend down in SW U. S. who keeps us so well informed on various subjects---and our unending gratitude goes to Mrs. Joe Ferrie, a new member in Modesto, California. Mrs. Ferrie has been a good deal of help and moral support to the Director since she moved to California.

Because of many protests from members concerning the possible disbanding of APRO after the saucer mystery is solved (as mentioned in the last bulletin) we have decided to accept yearly memberships and in the event the whole situation clarifies within the next six months, our offer of aid in gathering reports will be duly made to the Air Force. If they accept, we will continue, and if not, we will disband or another Director will be named. The latter is dependent mostly upon the Director's physical condition in the future. As A. P. R. O. grows, more responsibilities are heaped upon her shoulders. Not a perfect physical specimen to begin with, she had digressed rather than progress where her health is concerned since APRO was founded two years ago last Jan. 1. She is determined, however, if physically possible, to stay at the helm until it is officially announced that the flying saucers are interplanetary. Inasmuch as she was well known in Sturgeon Bay, it

was no difficult task to obtain details of all local and Wisconsin sightings. It will be necessary, in the near future, to obtain sufficient publicity without appearing to be a publicity hound, in Central California so that observers, upon sighting a UFO will immediately notify APRO. We hope the members will cross their fingers and give us the moral support we need to accomplish the latter.

If necessary, supplementary issues of the APRO Bulletin will be published during the coming saucer influx to keep members up to date on the new developments. Many sightings were left out of this issue because of lack of space, but will be printed in subsequent issues.

CRIFO, Civilian Research, Interplanetary Flying Objects, is a group working out of Cincinnati, Ohio and headed by Leonard H. Stringfield, Advertising Manager. Their first news letter forwarded to us was well written and informative. The two sightings at Cincinnati listed on reverse side of this sheet were included in the CRIFO newsletter. Let's all wish Mr. Stringfield lots of luck in his undertaking.***

News of the closing of Project A at Ohio Northern University, dealing with saucer phenomena, reached us through Dean Hickman, who headed the project. Mr. Hickman stated that they had closed because of insufficient sightings and data regarding same, and also stated that prior to it's closing, Project A had begun an investigation of the relationship of sighting dates to those of magnetic storms. He said they had hoped such a study might be indicative of the possibility of the use of electromagnetic energy as a means of propulsion. The usual rumors regarding 'closing by pressure from AF or government' authorities have been circulated, but are not true. We rather are inclined to conjecture that, having deduced the origin, both Project A and CSI of Los Angeles discontinued operations, realizing the futility of making any public statement regarding their convictions pertaining to the origin of saucers. Both groups were highly skeptical of the claims by some that contact with human space-men has already been made.*****

OLD SIGHTINGS (Con't from Page 10)
size of mattress, only round, 6 ft. across, 1 ft. thick, bouncing over fence between 2 houses, circling each other, sliding up roof, circling chimney, then down again. She said objects looked like solidified smoke, appeared friendly, whirled, spun rapidly. Played several minutes, then were gone in a few seconds. Objects seen from distance of about 30 feet. *****